

# Louisville Starts Wet-Dry Recycling Pilot Program

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[Louisville](#) is launching a “wet-dry” recycling pilot program for its central business district, which it says could recycle as much as 90 percent of the area’s waste.

Louisville Metro is beginning the program this month for businesses and residents in the district to separate [foods](#), liquids, used tissues and dirty paper towels as wet waste. Food-generating businesses will have two types of carts, with the organic waste only going in the brown cart. It will be collected two to six times a week, according to a [news release](#). The dry waste includes everything else and goes in an orange cart.

Other generators will use one waste container. But those businesses and residents should collect in black garbage bags the wet waste from food and beverage generating areas, as well as restroom waste.

The organic waste will be taken to a composting facility.

Louisville said the program is the first of its kind in the region. Currently, Louisville Metro said only 11 percent of the waste it collects from the central business district is recycled.

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